

Remarks/Arguments

This communication is considered fully responsive to the non-final Office action mailed July 20, 2004. Claims 1-9, 11-13, 15-43, 45-61, 63-65, 67-71, 73 and 74 were examined. Claims 1-4, 6-9, 11, 53-61, 63-65, 67-69, 71, and 73 stand rejected. Claims 12, 13, 15-43, 45-52, and 74 are indicated as being allowable, and claims 5 and 70 are indicated as being objected to.

Claims 1 and 69 are amended to include subject matter from claims 5 and 70, respectively, which was indicated as being allowable.

Claims 2-9 and 11 depend from claim 1; and claims 71 and 73 depend from claim 69. These claims depend from allowable independent claims and therefore are also believed to be allowable.

Claims 5, 53 – 61, 63-65, 67-68, and 70 are canceled without prejudice to the subject matter contained therein.

The Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this matter.

Respectfully Submitted,

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